Hydrogen in Fort Collins, CO

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- September, 2000: Forum on Converting to a Hydrogen Economy – HydrogenNow!
- January 2001: City Hydrogen Task Force (HTF) formed
- March 2002: Resolution approved by Council
- October 2003: Report of status and recommendations submitted to Council

Recent Activity

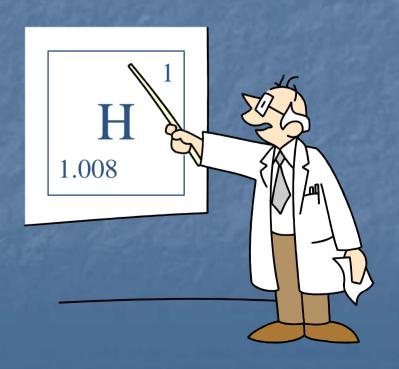
- Electrolyzer and Hythane® Fueling City / OEMC project
- Frontline Bioenergy
- Avalence Electrolyzer Demo
- Grants

Hydrogen from Biomass?



Recommendations: Education

- Public school curriculum
- Public education events
- Tours
- Web site



NATURALLY, OUR
PROTOTYPE FOR THE
HYDROGEN CAR
STILL HAS SOME
BUGS TO
WORK OUT...





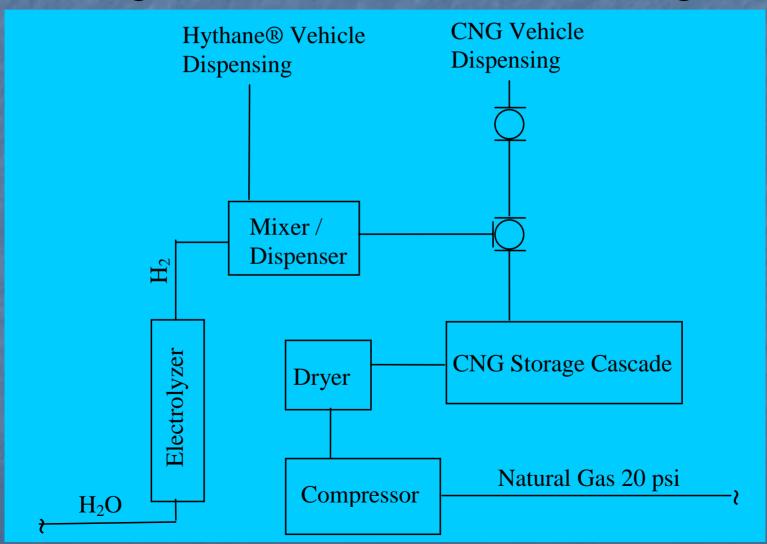
Hythane® Advantages

- Can use OEM CNG vehicles
- Relatively low fueling infrastructure cost
- 40%-50% reduction in emissions with 15% by volume hydrogen
- Leverage lower emissions with given amount of H₂
- Opportunity to educate safety officials with an easy gradient

Vehicle Fueling Project

- Phase I Electrolyzer / Hythane® project
 - Start with one mini bus
 - Compare emissions with CNG bus
 - Expand up to 5 mini buses + Fleet vehicle
- Phase II Add pure H₂ dispensing
 - Acquire pure H₂ vehicle (Hybrid)

Hythane® / CNG Facility

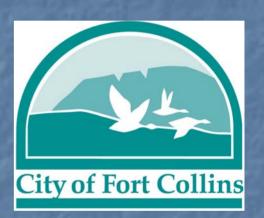


Avalence Electrolyzer

- Hydrofiller 175 6000G
 - 175 scfh production (25 kW Input Power)
 ~0.4 kg/h
 - **6000** psi
 - Grid Input Power (480V, 3 Phase)
- Delivery in August 2004

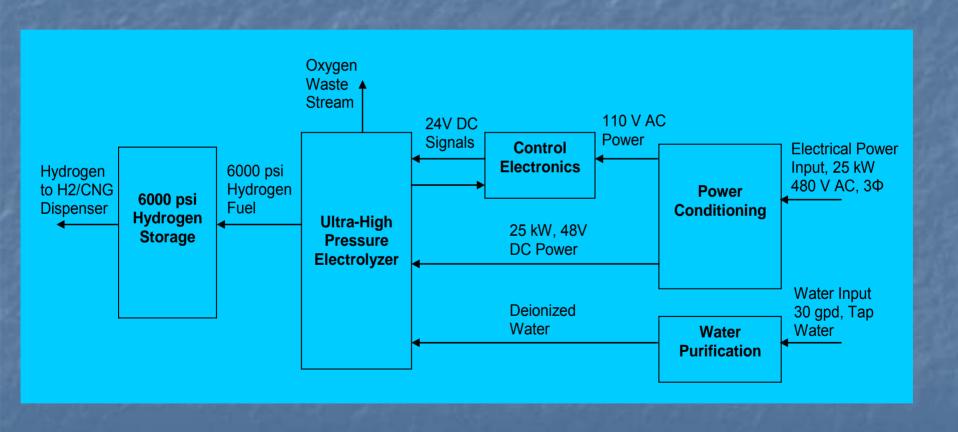


Hydrofiller 175



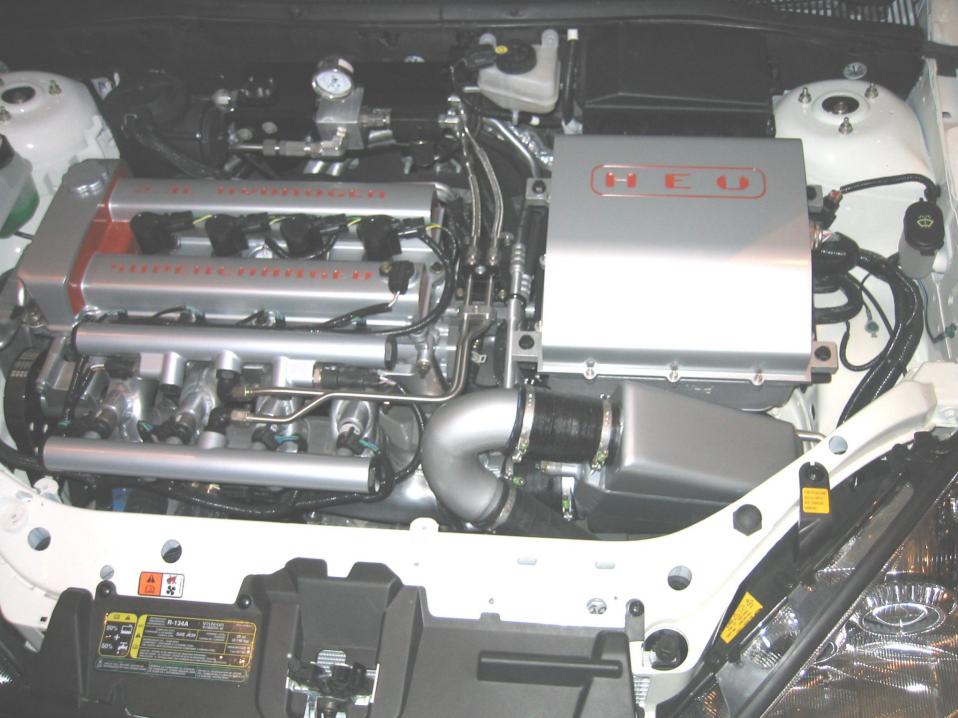


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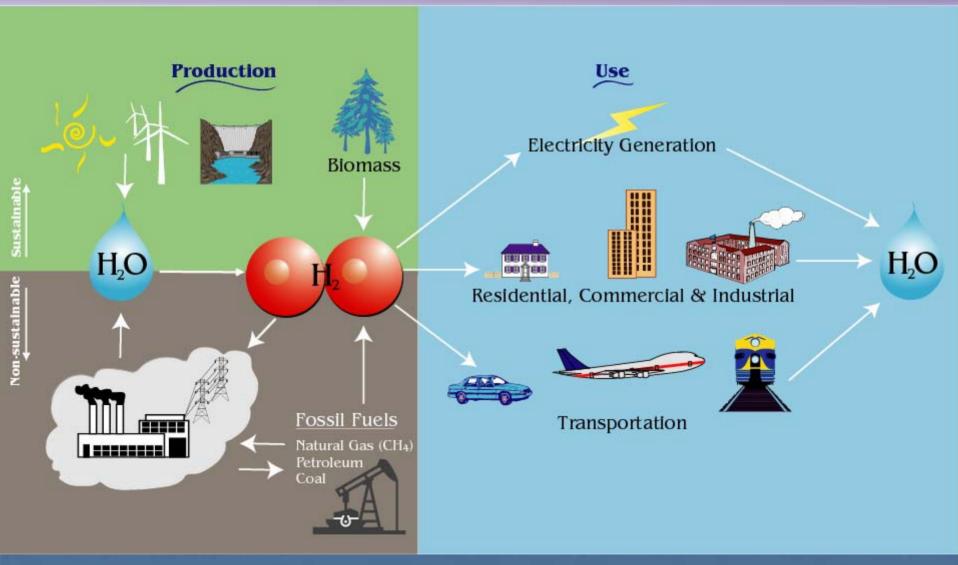








Hydrogen: The Big Picture





Report of the City of Fort Collins Hydrogen Task Force

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Electrolyzer



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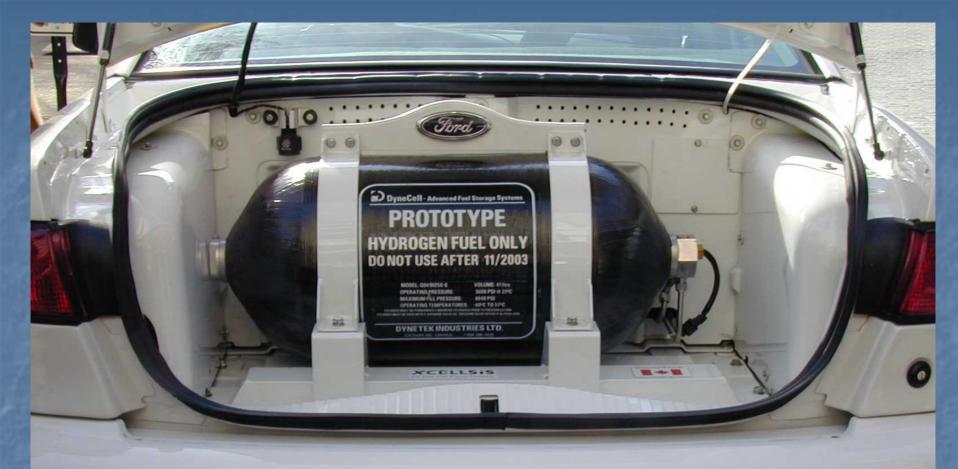


Reformer









powered by

THINK

hydrogen



fuel cell electric vehicle

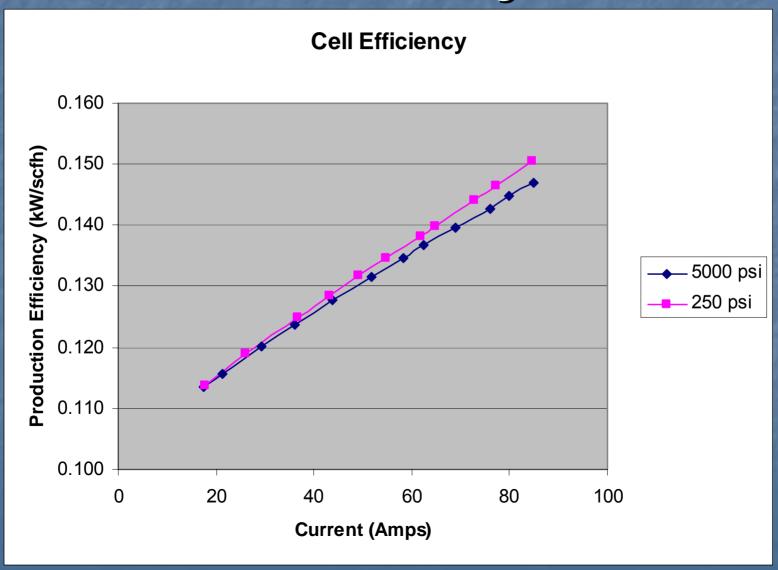








Hydrofiller Production Efficiency



City's Environmental Foundation

- Municipal electric utility (Wind Power 1st in State, Electric Energy Supply Policy)
- Member of Cities for Climate Protection
 - Local action plan to reduce GHGs
- Alternative fuels vehicle program
 - about 100 vehicles: ~10% of fleet (propane, CNG, hybrids)

Figure 4

